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**SUBJECT:** Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee; Open Committee Meetings

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Upon release of this HR Bulletin

**EXPIRATION DATE:** Upon completion of committee meetings

**SUPERSEDES:** N/A

**BACKGROUND:** The Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee holds exclusive bargaining rights for federal blue-collar employees. The Committee's primary responsibility is to review the Prevailing Rate System and other matters pertinent to establishing prevailing rates under Subchapter IV, Chapter 3, 5 USC, as amended, and advise the Office of Personnel Management (OPM), as necessary.

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this HR Bulletin is to advise you of upcoming meetings of the Federal Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee. The meetings will be held on the following Thursdays: August 25, 2005, September 8, 2005, September 22, 2005, October 20, 2005, and November 3, 2005. The meetings will start at 10:00 a.m. and will be held in Room 5A06A, OPM, 1900 E Street, NW, Washington, DC.

**PROCEDURES:** The scheduled meetings start in open session with labor and management representatives attending. During the meetings, labor or management members may caucus separately with the Committee Chair to devise strategy and formulate positions. The caucuses are closed to the public because of a determination made by the Director, OPM, under the provisions of section 10(d) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Public Law 92-463) and 5 USC 552b(c)(9)(B).

Annually, the Chair compiles a report of pay issues discussed and concluded recommendations. These reports are available to the public, upon written request to the Committee's Secretary. The public is invited to submit materials in writing to the Chair

on Federal Wage System pay matters felt to be deserving of the Committee's attention. All written requests should be sent to OPM, Committee Secretary, Prevailing Rate Advisory Committee, Room 5538, 1900 E Street, NW, Washington, DC 20415. For additional information, you may contact the Committee's Secretary at (202) 606-1500.

**REFERENCES:** Section 10 of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, Public Law 92-463, Subchapter IV, Chapter 53, 5 U.S.C., as amended

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